

### **Abstract**

An on-line system and method for tracking the performance of a vendor. The system comprises a purchaser terminal and a vendor terminal. A processor is coupled to the purchaser terminal and to the vendor terminal via Internet. The system also comprises scheduling data storage means which is coupled to the processor and which stores scheduling data, including a date. The processor is configured to generate and transmit to the vendor terminal, on the date stored in the scheduling data storage means, a notification message. The notification message requires a knowledgeable person at the vendor terminal to indicate whether a deadline has been or will be met. The processor is also configured to receive, in response to the notification message, a response message from the vendor terminal, and to distribute the response message to interested parties.